



# The Consultation Council

June 19, 2008

## Meeting Summary

### Consultation Council Members:

	Anzalone, Andrew	X	Hewitt, Bill	X	Wright, Sheri
X	Austin, Jim	X	Lay, Scott	X	Zacovic, Mark
X	Carter, Troy	X	Lieu, Mark Wade		Bruckman, Steve
	Friedlander, Carl	X	Neault, Lynn	X	Woodruff, Diane
X	Gaskin, Lori	X	Payan, Manuel		
X	Hansen, Richard	X	Patton, Jane		
X	Harrington, Nicki	X	Reel, Ron Norton		
			Villegas, Luis		

**X – Indicates attendance**

### Other Attendees:

**Meeting Summaries:** Consultation Council reviewed the summary from the May 15, 2008 meeting.

**Budget Update:** update by Erik Skinner

Vice Chancellor Erik Skinner gave the following update on the budget:

1. The Budget Conference Committee has been meeting for about one week.
2. The State Senate and Assembly adopted different COLA levels.
3. \$25 million augmentation for Green CTE.
4. Both houses agree on backfilling the property tax shortfall.

Vice Chancellor Erik Skinner also acknowledged the joint advocacy efforts being made by CCC, CSU, UC and K-12.

**Consultation Council Orientation:** update by Diane Woodruff

The 2008 Consultation Council Orientation will be held on Wednesday, September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2008.

### State and Federal Government Relations Update

Vice Chancellor Marlene Garcia went over the following legislation with the Consultation Council:

1. **AB625 (Levine)** – This bill allows colleges to compete for energy retrofit money. The Board took a support if amended position, however the author was not willing to make amendments.
2. **SB1437 (Padilla)** – This bill allows California Community Colleges to apply for funds from public utility companies.

3. **SB1355 (Corbett)** – This bill would require colleges to make certain disclosures about private student loans in financial aid material.
4. **SB946 (Scott)** – The bill would establish the Community College Early Assessment Pilot Program for high school students with an indicator of their readiness for college English and mathematics.
5. **AB1409 (Portantino)** – The bill would increase the percentage of special admits allowed for summer school from 5% to 10%.
6. **SB1585 (Padilla)** – This bill would require the community colleges to create a pilot program from improving transfer success among basic skills students.
7. **AB906 (Eng)** – This bill would allow random audits of community colleges by the System Office to ensure that the colleges are in compliance with the 50% law.

**Foundation for California Community Colleges Report:** update by Paul Lanning

The Foundation spoke to Consultation Council about the media campaign advocacy for raising money and outreach.

**50% Law Update:** update by Fred Harris and Arnold Bray

The 50% law was discussed at the Consultation Council meeting.

**Other:**

- a. **LAO Report** – Consultation Council discussed the recently released LAO report and what response would be appropriate for the System Office to make. A committee was formed to work on a response from the System Office.